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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)	
	:	Examiner: J. Jackson, Jr.
NORIYUKI KAIFU ET AL.	)	
	:	Group Art Unit: 2815
Application No.: Div. of	)	
10/184,879	:	
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Filed: Herewith	:	
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For: PHOTOELECTRIC CONVERTER,	)	
ITS DRIVING METHOD, AND	:	
SYSTEM INCLUDING THE	)	
PHOTOELECTRIC CONVERTER	:	February 18, 2004

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:


In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Pursuant to § 609 of the MPEP, copies of the listed documents have not been provided. However, Applicants will provide copies upon request.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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		"Extended Abstracts of the 15 <sup>th</sup> Conference on Solid State Devices and Materials", Tokyo, Japan, August 30-Sept. 1, 1993, ISBN 4-930813-04-2, 1983, Tokyo, Japan, Japan Soc. Appl. Phys, Japan, pp. 2-1-204, XP002039214
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